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**Mail Stop RCE**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 10/020,208; Filed: December 18, 2001  
For: **System and Method to Screen Defect Related  
Reliability Failures in CMOS SRAMS**  
Inventors: Bhattacharya *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1875.0330001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
2. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038);
3. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30);
4. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) (PTO/SB/22);
5. Amendment and Reply; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

The Petition for Extension of Time requests an extension of three months. On October 14, 2003 an advisory action was received. The Examiner checked box b in the Period for Reply section of the advisory action form, suggesting that only a one month extension of time would be necessary. This box appears to have been inadvertently checked in that the first reply was NOT

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filed within two months of the final rejection. Therefore, we believe a three month extension of time is necessary, rather than a one month extension. Accordingly, the Petition for Extension of Time requests an extension of three months, rather than a one month extension.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

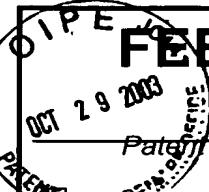


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*Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27*

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<i>Complete if Known</i>	
Application Number	10/020,208
Filing Date	December 18, 2001
Inventors	Bhattacharya et al.
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1251	110	2251	55
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